• **Law against the Overcrowding of German School** is passed 04/05/1933
  - Restricted Jewish students from attending German schools
  - This included professors
    - **Albert Einstein** had lost his job and emigrated to the United States
    - **Leo Szilard**, who convinced FDR to embark on the Manhattan project, had lost his job as a professor also
• The German public approved of these laws; logic behind it was it freed up so many positions for Germans who were unemployed
• A large number of Jews escaped the Aryan paragraph

**Sterilization Laws**

• The most heinous piece of legislation
• Alcoholism, deaf, blind, physical/mental disabilities --> were sterilized
• **Eugenics/"Racial Hygiene"** (what the Nazis called it) ~ A pseudo-science that believes in finding the superior race; preventing inferior races from inbreeding
• States had these laws, not the federal gov
• However, Germany made this a national law
  - Asocial, work shy, or unproductive; also included Gypsies, homosexuals, Africans, etc.
• Goes into effect in 1939; 400,000 were sterilized against their will and 1% had died
• Those who were sterilized were not allowed to marry fertile laws
• **Marriage Health Law** ~ screenings for heredity degeneracy
• This leads to Operation T4 (i.e. Euthanasia program)

**Step Two: 1935**

• **Hjalmar Schacht**
  - President of the Reichsbank; very old style conservative
  - The economics minister in the Naz gov
  - Warned Hitler against radical actions against the jews; instead it should be legal measures
• Schacht pushed for "Aryanization"
  - The take over of Jewish businesses and properties; happened behind the scenes
  - Jews had to give up their property if they wanted to emigrate
  - They would confiscated it or purchase it using strong arm tactics

**The Nuremberg Laws**

• Had 2 parts
  - **The Law for the Protection of German Blood and German Honor**
    - Banned marriages and extra marital intercourse between Jews and Germans
    - Banned employment of Jewish women under the age 45
    - Banned flying of German flag by Jewish households
  - **Reich Citizenship Law**
    - Stated that only German (or those of kindred blood) could be citizens of German; this took away citizenship from Jews
• Deprived Jews of their political rights and citizenship; essentially a foreigner in their own country